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SUBJECT: ANNUAL BANK/FUND MEETINGS -- BELGIAN DELEGATION AND VIEWS

1. BELGIAN DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY MINFINANCE WILLY DE CLERCQ. DEPUTY WILL BE C. DE STRYCKER, GOVERNOR OF CENTRAL BANK. OTHERS FROM MINFINANCE WILL BE JACQUES VAN YPERSELE, COUNSELOR, PLUS TREASURER M. ESSELENS AND HIS ASSISTANT L. MEULEMANS. CENTRAL BANK ALSO SENDING G. JANSEN (DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS) AND J. MERTENS DE WILMARS (ECONOMIC ADVISOR).

2. ACCORDING TO VAN YPERSELE, PRIMARY BELGIAN OBJECTIVE IN MEETINGS WILL BE TO OBTAIN INTERIM COMMITTEE AGREEMENT ON REDUCED MONETARY REFORM PACKAGE AGREED UPON BY EC MINISTERS IN VENICE (SEE ROME 12215). BELGIANS ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED, HE SAID, ABOUT SETTLEMENT OF QUOTA QUESTION. THEY WANT TO PRESERVE AGREEMENT EARLIER THIS YEAR BY G-10 (U.S. EXCEPTED) THAT THEIR QUOTA RISE TO 2.5 PERCENT SO THAT THEY CAN CONTINUE TO

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ELECT AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND BE REPRESENTED ON

THE G-20. THE NETHERLANDS HAS THE SAME CONCERN.
BELGIUM WILL ENDORSE EXPANSION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTORATE
TO TWENTY-ONE AS ONE AND PERHAPS BEST MEANS TO
RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM. RENNER

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